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NATIONAL RURAL LETTER CARRIERS'
ASSOCIATION POLITICAL ACTION
COMMITTEE
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Response Due Date 04/13/2015

**IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00072025** 

REFERENCE: AMENDED JULY QUARTERLY REPORT (04/01/2014 - 06/30/2014),

RECEIVED 10/15/2014

#### Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following 4 item(s):

- 1. Schedule B of your report discloses in-kind contributions to your committee. Please be advised that the value of in-kind contributions must be added to the receipts and disbursements total in order to avoid either inflating or deflating the cash on hand amount, and itemized on the appropriate Schedules A and B. (11 CFR § 104.13(a)) Please amend your report by itemizing the in-kind contributions on Schedule A.
- 2. Schedule B supporting Line 23 discloses one or more contributions to a candidate(s) for the 2014 Primary election; however, the funds were disbursed after the election date(s) (see attached). Please note that contributions may not be designated for an election which has already occurred unless the funds are to be used to reduce a candidate committee's debts incurred during that election campaign. (11 CFR §§110.1(b)(3) and 110.2(b)(3))

If any apparently impermissible contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. If the contribution(s) in question should have been designated for debt retirement, you should amend your report to indicate "debt retirement," along with the year of election.

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If you have made an impermissible contribution, you must request a refund or provide a written authorization for a redesignation of the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR §110.2(b) within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt.

If the foregoing conditions for redesignations were not met within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt, your committee must obtain a refund. (11 CFR §103.3(b)(1) and (3))

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action promptly in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memo entries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. (11 CFR §110.1(b))

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding this impermissible activity, your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

- **3.** On Schedule B supporting Line 29, you have itemized disbursements for which you have failed to include the purpose. Please amend your report to include the missing information. (11 CFR § 104.3(b)(3))
- **4.** Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why each disbursement was made. Please amend Schedule B supporting Line 29 of your report to clarify the following description(s): "PAC Receipts, invoice #77661." For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursement, please refer to 11 CFR 104.3(b)(3)(i).

Additional clarification regarding inadequate purposes of disbursement published in the Federal Register can be found at http://www.fec.gov/law/policy/purposeofdisbursement/inadequate\_purpose\_list \_3507.pdf.

- Your report discloses certain categories of financial activity that have been reflected on the wrong lines of the Detailed Summary Page. For your information and consideration when preparing future filings, Operating Expenditures should be properly disclosed on a separate Schedule(s) B, supporting Line(s) 21(b) of the Detailed Summary Page. Please refer to the

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instructions for each line when determining the proper categorization(s) for your next filing. (52 U.S.C. §30104(b) (formerly 2 U.S.C §434(b)) and FORM 3X Instructions)

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1172.

Sincerely,

Jack Baisden

Campaign Finance Analyst Reports Analysis Division

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### Excessive, Prohibited, and Impermissible Contributions National Rural Letter Carriers' Association Political Action Committee (C00072025)

### **Contributions Made After Election Date**

Recipient Name	Date	Amount	Election	<b>Election (State/Date)</b>
Mark Pryor For Us Senate	5/30/14	\$1,000.00	P2014	AR-5/20/14
Citizens for Cochran	6/11/14	\$2,000.00	P2014	MS-6/3/14